

ficer's responsibilities under this subchapter within 12 months after taking office or assuming duties; and

(2) ~~[except as provided by Subsections (b), (c), and (f),]~~ attend an investment training session not less than once in a two-year period that begins on the first day of that local government's fiscal year and consists of the two consecutive fiscal years after that date, and receive not less than 10 hours of instruction relating to investment responsibilities under this subchapter from an independent source approved by the governing body of the local government or a designated investment committee advising the investment officer as provided for in the investment policy of the local government.

SECTION 2. Section 2256.008, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) and amending Subsection (f) to read as follows:

*(b-1) A housing authority created under Chapter 392, Local Government Code, may satisfy the training requirement provided by Subsection (a)(2) by requiring the following person to attend, in each two-year period that begins on the first day of that housing authority's fiscal year and consists of the two consecutive fiscal years after that date, at least five hours of appropriate instruction:*

*(1) the treasurer, or the chief financial officer if the treasurer is not the chief financial officer, or the investment officer; or*

*(2) if the authority does not have an officer described by Subdivision (1), another officer of the authority.*

(f) Subsection (a)(2) does not apply to an officer of a municipality or housing authority if the municipality or housing authority:

(1) does not invest municipal or housing authority funds, as applicable; or

(2) only deposits those ~~municipal~~ funds in:

(A) interest-bearing deposit accounts; or

(B) certificates of deposit as authorized by Section 2256.010.

SECTION 3. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails over another Act of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted codes.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on May 4, 2017: Yeas 142, Nays 1, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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**NOTICE PROVIDED TO VEHICLE OWNERS AND  
LIENHOLDERS BY OPERATORS OF VEHICLE STORAGE  
FACILITIES**

**CHAPTER 1001**

H.B. No. 1247

**AN ACT**

**relating to notice provided to vehicle owners and lienholders by operators of vehicle storage facilities.**

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 2303.151, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsections (b-1) and (b-2) to read as follows:

(b-1) *The operator of a vehicle storage facility shall send a written notice required under Subsection (b) to an address obtained, by mail or electronically, either:*

*(1) directly from the governmental entity responsible for maintaining the motor vehicle title and registration database for the state in which the vehicle is registered; or*

*(2) from a private entity authorized by that governmental entity to obtain title, registration, and lienholder information using a single vehicle identification number inquiry submitted through a secure access portal to the governmental entity's motor vehicle records.*

*(b-2) An address obtained electronically from a governmental entity under Subsection (b-1)(1) must be obtained through the governmental entity's secure access portal.*

SECTION 2. Section 2303.152, Occupations Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a) and (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(a) Notice to the registered owner and the primary lienholder of a vehicle towed to a vehicle storage facility may be provided by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the vehicle is stored if:

(1) the vehicle is registered in another state;

(2) the operator of the storage facility submits to the governmental entity *responsible for maintaining the motor vehicle title and registration database for the state in which the vehicle is registered* ~~with which the vehicle is registered~~ a ~~written~~ request for information relating to the identity of the registered owner and any lienholder of record that is either:

(A) *written; or*

(B) *electronic, through the governmental entity's secure access portal;*

(3) the identity of the registered owner cannot be determined;

(4) the registration does not contain an address for the registered owner; or

(5) the operator of the storage facility cannot reasonably determine the identity and address of each lienholder.

(b) A ~~The~~ written request under Subsection (a)(2)(A) must:

(1) be correctly addressed;

(2) carry sufficient postage; and

(3) be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or *electronic certified mail*.

(b-1) *An electronic request under Subsection (a)(2)(B) must be submitted either:*

*(1) directly to the governmental entity through the governmental entity's secure access portal; or*

*(2) to a private entity authorized by the governmental entity to obtain title, registration, and lienholder information using a single vehicle identification number inquiry submitted through a secure access portal to the governmental entity's motor vehicle records.*

SECTION 3. Subchapter D, Chapter 2303, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 2303.1521 to read as follows:

**Sec. 2303.1521. CERTAIN VEHICLES WITH STATE OF REGISTRATION UNKNOWN.** (a) *An operator of a vehicle storage facility who receives a motor vehicle as defined by Section 501.002(17)(A), Transportation Code, and does not know the state in which the vehicle is registered may give notice by publication under Section 2303.152 only if the operator:*

*(1) obtains, using the motor vehicle's vehicle identification number, by mail or electronically, a report from the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System operated by the United States Department of Justice, or a successor system, showing the state in which the motor vehicle is titled; and*

*(2) either:*

(A) is unable to determine from the report the governmental entity that is responsible for maintaining the registration information for the motor vehicle; or

(B) attempts to and is unable to obtain, from the governmental entity indicated in the report, the identity and address of any registered owner and any lienholder.

(b) An operator who attempts to obtain owner and lienholder information under Subsection (a)(2) must attempt to obtain the information, by mail or electronically, either:

(1) directly from the governmental entity; or

(2) from a private entity authorized by the governmental entity to obtain title, registration, and lienholder information using a single vehicle identification number inquiry submitted through a secure access portal to the governmental entity's motor vehicle records.

(c) An address obtained electronically from a governmental entity under Subsection (b)(1) must be obtained through the governmental entity's secure access portal.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on April 20, 2017: Yeas 143, Nays 1, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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## DESIGNATING JULY 26 AS WAXAHACHIE CHAUTAUQUA DAY

### CHAPTER 1002

H.B. No. 1254

#### AN ACT

relating to designating July 26 as Waxahachie Chautauqua Day.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 662, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 662.065 to read as follows:

*Sec. 662.065. WAXAHACHIE CHAUTAUQUA DAY. (a) July 26 is Waxahachie Chautauqua Day in recognition of the Waxahachie Chautauqua auditorium and to promote the history of Chautauqua, the role Chautauqua plays in preserving communities, and the educational and cultural opportunities Chautauqua offers through community programs.*

*(b) Waxahachie Chautauqua Day shall be regularly observed by appropriate programs and activities.*

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on May 4, 2017: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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